

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: David A. Morgenstern                      Art Unit: 1745  
Serial No.: 10/687,541  
Filed: October 16, 2003  
Confirmation No.: 7748  
For: USE OF METAL SUPPORTED COPPER  
      CATALYSTS FOR REFORMING ALCOHOLS  
Examiner: Alix Elizabeth Echelmeyer

April 4, 2007

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed March 13, 2007, applicant elects to have the claims of Group I (claims 1-52; 88-108 and 117-130) examined in the subject application. Further, applicant elects nickel as the base metal material to be examined in elected claims 91, 92, 102, 103, 128 and 129 in the event no elected generic claim (claims 1, 101 and 127) is finally held allowable. Applicant submits that all the claims of Group I (claims 1-52; 88-108 and 117-130) are readable on the elected species.

Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to any of the non-elected claims or species.

Respectfully submitted,

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